

Bella Vista Radio Club Meeting Agenda

September 7, 2023

1. The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jan Hagan, WB5JAN

2. Hellos and New Member and Guest Introductions were conducted by Tom Northfell, W5XNA

3. President's Welcome and Announcements

A) 2023 Field Day Supporter Recognition: Rick Pope, KG5MWG, recognized the KVS Sonic Group and the Esch Group for contributing ice and gift cards to the club for recent events

B) Jan Hagen, WB5JAN requested three Volunteers to sign up for the club meeting clean-up crew. Duties of these volunteers would include after meeting clean-up to:

1. Straighten and rearrange the classroom tables and chairs
2. Empty, clean and store the coffee pot and clean the refreshment table
3. Store the club banner for the next meeting.
4. Replace trash container bags.

C) Glenn Kilpatrick, WB5L, announced that Northwest Arkansas now has its second Winlink VHF packet gateway up and running in Rogers and discussed the benefits of having this packet for improving our local emergency communications.

4. BVRC Business Meeting

A) Secretary's Report and Previous Minutes were recorded by Dana Hill, W5DGH and previously sent to the membership and approval was requested. The minutes were unanimously approved.

B) Membership Report was given by Tom Northfell, W5XNA. New members were recognized. The total number of members are 200.

C) Sept. 7, 2023 Treasurer Report was submitted by Marc Whittlesey, WØKYZ, and is as follows:

Previous Balance \$3,151.06 (from Aug/2023 report)

Dues Collected 45.00

Donations 45.00 (from John Rankin, W5LNI), 223.00 (Joplin Hamfest Donations)

Disbursements 74.58 (coffee/cups for meetings)

TOTAL \$3,389.48

Arvest account 2,227.24

PayPal account 1,042.24

Petty Cash 120.00

Current Balance 3,389.48D)

D) VE Program Report was submitted by Don Cooper, KC7DC, and is as follows:

At our August 12 VE test sessions we had 4 candidates who passed their exams!

Adam Kelso - KJ5CGL - Fayetteville - New Technician

Hunter Williams - KJ5CHZ - Bella Vista - New Technician

Jason Korzendorfer - N5JMK - Prairie Grove - General Class Upgrade

Caleb Whitsett - KCØYGO - Joplin, MO - General Class Upgrade

Congratulations to our successful candidates!

5. Announcements were presented for Upcoming Club Activities for 2023 and are as follows:

A) BVRC 30th Year Anniversary Worked All States Award Update

B) October 14th: N5BVA 30th ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL EVENT STATION #2

Two station portable operation from Park Springs Park – Bentonville

C) September 20th – Deadline for 2023 Annual Awards Recommendations

Please send your recommendations for individuals for any or all awards for 2023 to:

danahillBVRC@gmail.com.

All recommendations must include a statement of rationale of 30 words or less for the recommendation to be considered. All recommendations must be submitted by SEPTEMBER 20, 2023.

6. Feature Club Presentation

Presenters for the presentation were: BVRC's Jay Bromley – W5JAY and Don Banta – K5DB

Information was provided about DXing, the DX Century Club (DXCC) award and how to obtain awards for DXing.

7. Jan Hagan, WB5JAN made the Gear Exchange Announcement as follows:

For sale or trade items are located on the tables at the far right of the room throughout the evening for those looking “new to them” amateur radio equipment.

8. Club Door Prizes were presented by Joe Hott, W5AEN

Amateur radio related door prizes provided by club members from their personal collections were awarded to winning BVRC members and guest ticket holders.

9. Adjournment

Remember! The next BVRC Club meeting is:

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy

Recorded by: Dana Hill, W5GH